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Security Council

10:00 — 7426th meeting [webcast] — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in the Middle East

Morning[1] — 7427th meeting [webcast] — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in the Central African Republic

   Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in the Central African Republic (S/2015/227)

   Letter dated 10 April 2015 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2015/248)

Morning[2] — Consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultations Room

United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic (MINUSCA) (S/2015/227 and S/2015/248)

Other matters

[1]To be held following the adjournment of the 7426th meeting.
[2]To be held following the adjournment of the 7427th meeting.

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General Assembly

Sixty-ninth session

Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the Work of the General Assembly

10:00	3rd meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 9 March 2015, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

General Assembly
Sixty-ninth session

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 68/279, informal meetings of the plenary as part of the preparatory process for the third International Conference on Financing for Development (Second drafting session) will continue *today*, 14, to Friday, 7 April 2015, at 10:00 and 15:00, in Conference Room 1. Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 16 March 2015 and 6 April 2015, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. Additional information is available on the website of the Financing for Development Office. [webcast]

General Assembly

United Nations Commission on International Trade Law

Working Group I (Micro-, Small- and Medium-sized Enterprises)
Twenty-fourth session

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 3
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 3

Disarmament Commission
2015 substantive session

Working Group I

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 2
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 2

Group of Governmental Experts on Developments in the Field of Information and Telecommunications in the Context of International Security
Third session

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 5
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	Executive meeting	

Security Council

Security Council Committee pursuant to resolutions 1267 (1999) and 1989 (2011) concerning Al-Qaida and associated individuals and entities

15:00 to 18:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 7

Economic and Social Council

Commission on Population and Development
Forty-eighth session

10:00	4th meeting [webcast]	Conference Room 4[1]

General debate on national experience in population matters: realizing the future we want: integrating population issues into sustainable development, including in the post-2015 development agenda (E/CN.9/2015/NGO/1, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/2, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/3, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/4, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/5, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/6, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/7, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/8, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/9, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/10, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/11, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/12, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/13, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/14, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/15, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/16, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/17, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/18, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/19 and E/CN.9/2015/NGO/20) [item 4]

General discussion

11:30 (approximately)	Keynote statement	

Professor Suzana Cavenaghi of the National School of Statistical Science at the Brazilian Institute of Geography and Statistics on "Reproductive health, gender and sustainable development"

15:00 to 21:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 4

Informal consultations on the draft proposals of the Commission on Population and Development, convened by the Vice-Chair, His Excellency Rubén Escalente Hasbún, Deputy Permanent Representative of El Salvador

[Information on side events, or activities organized outside the formal programme of the session of the Commission can be accessed by *clicking here*.

[1]Conference Room 12 will serve as an overflow room.

Members of the Commission wishing to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Sonia Elliott (e-mail elliotts@un.org; Room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Member States that are not members of the Commission, non-member States, observers, United Nations agencies, funds and programmes and Regional Commissions are also requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat in advance of the session. Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Delegations are advised that statements made by individual States should not exceed *five minutes*; statements made on behalf of a group of States should not exceed *ten minutes*; and statements made by observers should not exceed *four minutes*.

Delegates are informed that PaperSmart services will be offered as an additional service for the forty-eighth session of the Commission. The official documentation and statements for the meetings will be available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal (*click here*) in all available official languages. Delegates are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements to papersmart1@un.org at least *two hours in advance* of their designated speaking slot and to bring only 30 copies of their statements for technical services. The date and time of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will remain embargoed until delivery, after which they will be available to the public on the portal.

For information on the participation of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission, please *click here*.

The Commission will hold the first meeting of its forty-ninth session for the sole purpose of electing a new Chair and other members of the Bureau, immediately following the closure of its forty-eighth session.]

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Ninth session

A special meeting of the Peacebuilding Commission will be held *today*, 14 April 2015, at 10:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Other meetings

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Tuesday, 14 April 2015

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

09:00 to 10:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room E
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 8

Group of 77 (on the Commission on Population and Development)

13:15 to 14:30	Closed meeting	Conference Room B

Other activities

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Tuesday, 14 April 2015

Briefing on the forthcoming fourteenth session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (20 April to 1 May 2015) (organized by the secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues)

From 11:00 to 12:30, in Conference Room B.

[All permanent missions are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Sonia Smallacombe, secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (e-mail smallacombe@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5066).]

Briefing on the Development Cooperation Forum (DCF) High-level Symposium entitled "Development cooperation for people and planet: What will it take?" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Republic of Korea and the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

From 13:15 to 14:45, in Conference Room 12.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact DCF (e-mail dcf@un.org); or *click here.*]

Event on "The Geopolitics of Financing Post-2015: Regional and Feminist Analysis" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Uruguay, the Regions Refocus 2015, the Third World Network (TWN) and the Development Alternatives with Women for a New Era (DAWN))

From 13:15 to 14:30, in the Conference Room 9.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. María Emilia Eyheralde, Permanent Mission of Uruguay (e-mail uruguay@urudeleg.org; tel. 1 (212) 752-8240).]

Women's International Forum: Lecture on "Is Diplomacy in Crisis?" (sponsored by the Executive Office of the Secretary-General)

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 8.

[Delegates and Secretariat staff are invited. For further information, please *click here*).]

Panel discussion on "Securing Livelihood for All: Foresight for Action" (co-organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the International Labour Organization (ILO))

From 15:00 to 16:30, in the UNDP Conference Room (304 East 45th Street, 11th Floor (FF Building)).

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Wei Liu, DESA (e-mail liuw@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3212).]

Press conferences

The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.

Tuesday, 14 April 2015

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

12:00 Press briefing by the Spokesperson [*Guest:* Ms. Zainab Bangura, Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict (on the Secretary-General's annual report on sexual violence in conflict)]

Security Council

The Security Council will hold an open debate on Wednesday, 15 April 2015, at 10:00, in the Security Council Chamber in connection with the agenda item "Women and Peace and Security".

Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should send a letter addressed to the President of the Security Council requesting to participate in accordance with Rule 37 of the Council's Provisional Rules of Procedure (e-mail dpa-scsb3@un.org; or fax 1 (917) 367-0406). Please note that only scanned copies of signed letters will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to no more than *four minutes*. Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers will not be available by telephone or e-mail, but only in hard copy in the Chamber, shortly before the beginning of the meeting.

General Assembly
Sixty-ninth session

A high-level thematic debate on "Promoting Tolerance and Reconciliation: Fostering Peaceful, Inclusive Societies and Countering Violent Extremism", will be held on Tuesday, 21 and Wednesday, 22 April 2015, at 9:00, in the General Assembly Hall and at 15:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. Letters from the President of the General Assembly dated 9 March 2015, 16 March 2015 and 8 April 2015, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly
Sixty-ninth session

There will be an informal meeting of the plenary (closed) to hear a briefing by Ambassador Ayşe Sinirlioğlu, Turkey's G20 Sherpa, on Thursday, 23 April 2015, at 10:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. A letter from the President of the General Assembly dated 6 April 2015, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Forthcoming official meetings

Thursday, 16 April 2015

General Assembly
Sixty-ninth session

10:00 85th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

1. Report of the Peacebuilding Commission; Report of the Secretary-General on the Peacebuilding Fund (A/69/818 and A/69/745): *joint debate* [items 29 and 109]
2. Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections: Election of twenty members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination: Note by the Secretary-General (A/69/291/Add.2 (to be issued))

General Assembly
Sixty-ninth session

The agenda of the sixty-ninth regular session of the General Assembly has been issued in document A/69/251 (see document A/69/252 for allocation of items).

The annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the sixty-ninth regular session of the General Assembly was issued in documents A/69/100 and A/69/100/Add.1.

Please note that there is no predetermined programme of work for formal and informal meetings of the plenary for the resumed part of the session (1 January-14 September 2015). Meetings will be announced in the *Journal* when they are scheduled.

List of speakers

Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova, e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; Room S-3082).

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-3818 (Room S-3053). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d'affaires of the permanent mission to the United Nations.

The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/69/251.

Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org, or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

General Assembly

Sixty-ninth session

Main Committees

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will hold an informal interactive dialogue on "Overall policy matters pertaining to special political missions" in accordance with General Assembly resolution 69/95, organized by the Department of Political Affairs (DPA), in collaboration with the bureau of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) on Wednesday, 15 April 2015, from 10:00 to *12:00*, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

General Assembly

Committee on Conferences

Organizational session for 2015

The organizational session for 2015 of the Committee on Conferences will be held on Wednesday, 22 April 2015, at 15:00, in Conference Room 5, to elect the Bureau for 2015 and to adopt the annotated provisional agenda, contained in document A/AC.172/2015/L.1. For all relevant documents of the Committee please *click here*.

The session will be PaperSmart. Official documentation of the session will be available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal in all official languages.

In accordance with the procedure established by the Committee on Conferences at its 423rd meeting, on 1 September 1999, as reflected in paragraphs 172 to 175 of A/54/32 (Supp), and amended in paragraph 10 of A/56/32 (Supp), non-members who wish to participate as observers in the organizational session are invited to send a request *in writing* to Ms. Liya Zhang, Secretary of the Committee on Conferences (e-mail zhangl@un.org).

Committee on Information
Thirty-seventh session

The Committee on Information will hold its thirty-seventh session from Monday, 27 April, to Friday, 8 May 2015, in Conference Room 1. Member States wishing to inscribe their names for the General Debate on Monday, 27 and Tuesday, 28 April should please send an e-mail to committeeoninformation@un.org.

The afternoon of Monday, 27 April, will be devoted to an informal interactive session, with a particular focus on the seventieth anniversary of the United Nations, where the Under Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information will discuss matters relating to the Department with delegates.

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-fifth session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-fifth session at Headquarters from Monday, 1 to Friday, 26 June 2015.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States at least *two weeks* before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than* Friday, 15 May 2015. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; Room FF-610 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943)).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 67/238. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Conference of States Parties

Eighth session

The eighth session of the Conference of the States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities will take place at Headquarters from Tuesday, 9, to Thursday, 11 June 2015. The provisional agenda is available as CRPD/CSP/2015/1.

Quorum

Pursuant to article 34, paragraph 5 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, the necessary quorum for the meeting is two-third of the States Parties. As there are 153 States Parties to the Convention, the quorum is 102 States Parties. In order to avoid lack of quorum which may lead to substantial delay or call off of the meeting of the States Parties, it is imperative for the States Parties to be present prior to the meeting.

Credentials

The credentials of representatives and the names of members of a delegation issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs should be submitted to the Secretary-General prior to the opening of the session. The credentials may be sent to the secretariat (e-mail to zhangg@un.org, with copy to pewitt@un.org; Room S-2905).

Accessibility

States parties that have not yet informed the secretariat of the accessibility requirements of delegates are kindly requested to do so to facilitate their participation in the Conference.

For further information concerning the Conference of States Parties, kindly contact the secretariat for the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mails zhangg@un.org and enable@un.org; Room S-2905); or visit the United Nations Enable website (please *click here*).

Economic and Social Council

2015 session

Economic and Social Council dialogue on longer-term positioning of the United Nations development system

The workshop on Functions, part of the workshop series of phase I of the Economic and Social Council dialogue on long-term positioning of the United Nations development system, will be held on Friday, 17 April 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 12. The workshop will be chaired by the Vice-President of the Council, Her Excellency María Emma Mejía Vélez (Colombia). The draft programme (*click here*) is available on the website of the Council; background material and other information will be made available soon. Interested Missions should register by *clicking here*. For further information, please contact Ms. Ronaele Odina, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination (e-mail odinar@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7679).

Special high-level meeting with the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (20-21 April 2015)

The special high-level meeting of the Economic and Social Council with the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development will take place on Monday, 20 April 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, and on Tuesday, 21 April 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The high-level meeting will be chaired by the President of the Council, His Excellency Martin Sajdik (Austria).

The overall theme of the meeting will be "Coherence, coordination and cooperation in the context of financing for sustainable development and the post-2015 development agenda".

The format of the meeting will be a free-flowing interactive discussion with interventions limited to *three minutes*; there will be no list of speakers.

For further information on the special high-level meeting, please *click here* or contact Mr. Gregory Dubois, Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail duboisg@un.org; Room DC2-2160).

List of participants

Members and observers of the Economic and Social Council and representatives of intergovernmental organizations are requested to provide, *in writing*, as soon as possible, the composition of their delegations, to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Jennifer de Laurentis (c/o Ms. Jacqueline Aidenbaum (e-mail aidenbaum@un.org; Room S-1271)), with a copy to the Financing for Development Office (Ms. Anna Alfonso (e-mail alfonso@un.org; Room DC2-2162)).

Special meeting on international cooperation in tax matters (22 April 2015)

Pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolutions 2013/24 and 2014/12, the one-day special meeting of the Council on international cooperation in tax matters will be held on Wednesday, 22 April 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

The format of the meeting will be a free-flowing interactive discussion with interventions limited to *three minutes*; there will be no list of speakers.

For further information on the special meeting, please *click here* or contact Ms. Dominika Halka, Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail halka@un.org; Room DC2-2176).

List of participants

Members and observers of the Economic and Social Council and representatives of intergovernmental organizations are requested to provide, *in writing*, as soon as possible, the composition of their delegation, to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Jennifer de Laurentis (c/o Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; Room S-1286) and Ms. Jacqueline Aidenbaum (e-mail aidenbaum@un.org; Room S-1271)), with a copy to the Financing for Development Office (Ms. Anna Alfonso (e-mail alfonso@un.org; Room DC2-2162)).

Statements and PaperSmart arrangements

Delegations are reminded that PaperSmart services will be available for the meetings of the Economic and Social Council. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the Council's PaperSmart Portal (please *click here*) should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart2@un.org. The date and topic of the meeting should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the Council's PaperSmart Portal only after delivery by delegations.

Committee of Experts on Public Administration
Fourteenth session

The Committee of Experts on Public Administration will hold its fourteenth session from Monday, 20 April, to Friday, 24 April 2015, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The provisional agenda of the session is contained in document E/C.16/2015/1.

For the programme of work and other related documents of the fourteenth session of the Committee, please visit the Web site by *clicking here*.

PaperSmart arrangements

The fourteenth session of the Committee of Experts on Public Administration will be served in a PaperSmart manner. The official documentation of the Committee will be available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal in all available official languages.

There will be no circulation of hard copies of documents. However, a print-on-demand service will be available, via which delegates can request for a hard copy at the PaperSmart Desk in the conference room, or by the print-on-demand option on the PaperSmart Portal. Delegates will be able to e-mail any document or statement to themselves from the Portal. No log in will be required to access the Portal.

Delegations and participants are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meetings in order to access information and documents electronically.

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
Fourteenth session

The Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues will hold its fourteenth session from Monday, 20 April, to Friday, 1 May 2015, in Conference Room 4. The provisional agenda of the session is contained in document E/C.19/2015/1, and the proposed organization of work is contained in document E/C.19/2015/L.1.

Participation and seating arrangements

Member States, intergovernmental organizations and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies wishing to send observers to the session are requested to communicate the composition of their delegations, in advance of the session, to the Secretary of the Forum, Ms. Sonia Elliott (e-mail elliotts@un.org; Room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Only those observers who indicate their participation by *Wednesday, 15 April 2015*, will be provided a nameplate on the floor of the Conference Room 4 on the opening day. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

For background and other related documents of the fourteenth session of the Forum, please visit the following Web site: www.un.org/indigenous (or *click here)*.

Statements and PaperSmart arrangements

The fourteenth session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues will be served in a PaperSmart manner. The official documentation of the Forum will be available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal (*click here*) in all available official languages.

There will be no circulation of hard copies of documents. However, a print-on-demand service will be available, via which delegates can request for a hard copy at the PaperSmart Desk in the conference room, or by the print-on-demand option on the PaperSmart Portal. Delegates will be able to e-mail any document or statement to themselves from the Portal. No log in will be required to access the Portal.

QR Code posters with the PaperSmart Portal link will be put up in the conference room to enable easy access to the Portal via QR Code scanners on devices.

Delegations and participants are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meetings in order to access information and documents electronically.

List of speakers

The list of speakers is open. Member States and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers for a particular item should contact the secretariat (Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)). Delegations are advised that statements made should not exceed five minutes.

Delegates are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements to papersmart1@un.org at least *two hours in advance* of their designated speaking slot and to bring only 30 copies of their statements for technical services. The date and time of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will remain embargoed until delivery, after which they will be available to the public on the portal.

Committee for Programme and Coordination
Fifty-fifth session
Organizational session

The organizational session of the fifty-fifth session of the Committee for Programme and Coordination will be held on Thursday, 23 April 2015, at 15:00, in Conference Room 5, for the purpose of electing its Bureau.

The Committee will also have before it the annotated provisional agenda for the session (E/AC.51/2015/1), the note by the Secretariat on the status of preparedness of documentation (E/AC.51/2015/L.1) and the note by the Secretariat on the list of reports of the Joint Inspection Unit (E/AC.51/2015/L.2).

Members of the Committee wishing to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate, in a note verbale of their permanent mission to the United Nations in New York, the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, Ms. Sharon Van Buerle (e-mail cpc@un.org; Room S-3241; fax 1 (212) 963-0360). Please note that only scanned copies of the note verbale will be accepted by e-mail.

Member States that are not members of the Committee and would like to participate as observers are also requested to communicate, in a note verbale of their permanent mission to the United Nations in New York, the composition of their delegations to the secretariat well in advance of the scheduled organizational session.

United Nations Forum on Forests
Eleventh session

The United Nations Forum on Forests will hold its eleventh session from Monday, 4, to Friday, 15 May 2015, at the United Nations Headquarters. The session will open on Monday, 4 May 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room 4. The annotated provisional agenda is contained in document E/CN.18/2015/1.

High-level segment and list of speakers

The session will include a high-level segment, which will be held on Wednesday, 13, and Thursday, 14 May 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00. A list of speakers for the segment will be established for statements by Ministers and Heads of Delegations. Delegations are requested to inscribe, *as soon as possible*, the names of their Ministers or Heads of Delegations who wish to make a statement during the high-level segment, by sending an e-mail or fax to the Secretary of the Forum, Mr. Moncef

Khane (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; with a copy to unff@un.org; fax 1 (917) 367-3186). The time limits for statements during the segment are *seven minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States and *five minutes* for individual Member States.

As part of the high-level segment, there will be two round tables on Thursday, 14 May 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00, on the following topics:

Round table 1: Integration of forests in thepost-2015 development agenda; and

Round table 2: Renewed commitments to the implementation of the international arrangements on forests beyond 2015.

The round tables are open to the participation of all Members and observers. Delegations are kindly requested to indicate, *as soon as possible*, their preference for the participation of their Ministers or Heads of Delegations in the above-mentioned round tables, by e-mail or fax to the secretariat of the Forum (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; with a copy to unff@un.org; fax 1 (917) 367-3186). Priority for interventions will be given to participants who have registered their participation in the round tables. The round tables will be interactive in nature and as such, there will be no pre-determined list of speakers. The time limit for interventions is *three minutes*.

List of participants

Delegations are requested to communicate the composition of their delegations by e-mail or fax to the secretariat of the Forum (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935), *as soon as possible,* for inclusion in the list of participants.

For documentation and further information on the eleventh session of the Forum, including the list of side events, please visit the Forum website by *clicking here.*

2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons

The 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) will be held from Monday, 27 April to Friday, 22 May 2015, at Headquarters. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 27 April, at 10:30, in the General Assembly Hall.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for the general debate *is open.* States parties wishing to add the names of their representatives to the list of speakers before the beginning of the meeting are invited to fax their request to Mr. Hong Tan at 1 (917) 367-1767 (tel. 1 (212) 963-7062).

PaperSmart arrangements

The Conference will be supported by the PaperSmart system. The official documentation of the Conference will be available electronically either via the PaperSmart Portal (e-mail papersmart3@un.org); or via the ODA related webpage (*click here*).

Delegations are requested to send electronic copies of their statements to papersmart3@un.org, at least *two hours* prior to their speaking slot.

The statements will be available to view and download via the PaperSmart Portal upon delivery by the speaker. The secretariat requests delegations to provide only 25 hard copies of official statements for the technical services.

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Further information for participants, including accreditation and registration procedures, list of participants, the submission of documentation, side events, exhibitions, etc., are contained in the Information Note NPT/CONF.2015/INF/1/Rev.1* which is also available on the website of the Review Conference (*click here*).

To consult the list of side events, please *click here*.

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/69/251 and A/69/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on draft resolution A/69/L.50, entitled "Improving Nutrition" (under agenda item 25) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Ireland)

Thursday, 16 April 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 8.

Forthcoming other meetings

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Group of 77 (at the ambassadorial level)

Wednesday, 15 April 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Forthcoming other activities

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Event on "United Action Towards Sustainable Development for All Through Sport" (on the occasion of the International Day of Sport for Development and Peace (6 April)) (General Assembly resolution 67/296) (to be hosted by the Secretary-General) (organized by the United Nations Office on Sport for Development and Peace (UNOSDP), in cooperation with the Executive Office of the Secretary-General)

Wednesday, 15 April 2015, at 10:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Eric Dienes, UNOSDP (e-mail dienes@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-6036).]

Event on "Global Public-Private Partnership Initiatives in Post-2015" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Bangladesh)

Wednesday, 15 April 2015, from 10:30 to 12:30 and from 15:00 to 17:30, in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Bangladesh (e-mail joyrokeb15@hotmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 867-3434, ext. 37).]

Event on "Financing the post-2015 agenda: A broader measurement framework for monitoring resources in support of the Sustainable Development Goals – Total Official Support for Sustainable Development" (co-organized by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD))

Wednesday, 15 April 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Oliver Schwank, Financing for Development Office, DESA (e-mail schwank@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4970).]

Event on "Small Island Developing States (SIDS) and Financing for Development" (co-organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP))

Wednesday, 15 April 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room B.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Muhammad Umair Qureshi, DESA (e-mail qureshi@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7643).]

Workshop on "Universalization of the 2008 Convention on Cluster Munitions" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Costa Rica and Croatia, Norwegian People's Aid and Pax)

Wednesday, 15 April 2015, from 13:15 to 14:45, in Conference Room 13.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Maritza Chan, Permanent Mission of Costa Rica (e-mail mchan@missioncrun.org); Ms. Dinka Dumicic, Permanente Mission of Croatia (e-mail dinka.dumicic@mvep.hr); or Ms. Amy Little, Norwegian People's Aid (e-mail amyl@npaid.org).]

Briefing on "Educational Technologies Available for Primary and Secondary Schools" (organized by the NGO Relations Section, Outreach Division, Department of Public Information (DPI))

Thursday, 16 April 2015, from 11:00 to 12:30, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Hawa Diallo, NGO Relations Section (e-mail diallo9@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9380).]

Panel discussion on "Climate Finance and Development" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of France and Peru and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP))

Thursday, 16 April 2015, from 13:15 to 14:45, in Conference Room 11.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Benjamin Bechaz, Permanent Mission of France (e-mail benjamin.bechaz@diplomatie.gouv.fr; tel. 1 (212) 702-4954).]

Special event on "From Cairo to Addis Ababa: Migration, labour mobility and the renewed global partnership for sustainable development" (organized by the Troika of the Global Forum on Migration and Development (Sweden, Turkey and Bangladesh), in partnership with the Global Migration Group and the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for International Migration and Development)

Thursday, 16 April 2015, from 13:15 to 14:45, in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Rebecca Rehn, Permanent Mission of Sweden (e-mail rebecca.rehn@gov.se; tel. 1 (212) 583-2531).]

Briefing by the Deputy Secretary-General and the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Sustainable Energy for All on "The Sustainable Energy for All initiative - achievements to date, next steps, long-term arrangements and the upcoming second annual United Nations Sustainable Energy for All Forum in May" (organized by Executive Office of the Secretary-General)

Thursday, 16 April 2015, from 15:00 to 16:30, in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Jonas von Freiesleben, Executive Office of the Secretary-General (e-mail freiesleben@un.org, tel. 1 (212) 963-1660).]

Panel discussion on "Sustainable Air Capabilities in the United Nations Field Operations: The National Response" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Ukraine)

Thursday, 16 April 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Mr. Yaroslav Golitsyn, Permanent Mission of Ukraine (e-mail uno_us@mfa.gov.ua; tel. 1 (212) 759-7003).]

Special event on "Ending hunger, achieving food security and improved nutrition, and promoting sustainable agriculture – how to make it happen?" (co-organized by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), the World Food Programme (WFP) and the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD))

Friday, 17 April 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 12.

[All are invited. For further information or to register, please contact the FAO Liaison Office in New York (e-mail lon-registry@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6036).]

Briefing on "Aligning Private Sector Investment in Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)" (co-organized by the New York Office of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), AVIVA, Tellus Institute and the Stakeholder Forum)

Monday, 20 April 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room B.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Ena Sawh, UNCTAD (e-mail sawh@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6893).]

Panel discussion on "Identifying Common Ground on Public Health for the Special session of the United Nations General Assembly on the world drug problem 2016 (UNGASS 2016)" (organized by United Nations University (UNU) New York Office)

Tuesday, 21 April 2015, from 10:00 to 12:45, in Conference Room 11.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact the UNU New York Office (e-mail walker@unu.edu; tel. 1 (212) 963-6346); to register please *click here*.]

Special event on the theme "Means of Implementation and Global Partnership for Sustainable Development – the role of information and communications technologies (ICTs) (ITU and GeSI)" (co-organized by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and the Global e-Sustainability Initiative (GeSI))

Tuesday, 21 April 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 5.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Sharon London, ITU (e-mail london@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6121).]

Informal briefing on the rule of law, in accordance with paragraph 18 of General Assembly resolution 69/123 (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Austria, Liechtenstein and Mexico, and the Rule of Law Unit (on behalf of the United Nations Rule of Law Coordination and Resource Group))

Wednesday, 22 April 2015, from 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 11.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Jane Anttila, Rule of Law Unit in the Executive Office of the Secretary-General (e-mail anttila@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4749; or Ms. Lilibeth Benitez (e-mail benitez@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2935)).]

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

General Assembly

Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III)
(Nairobi, 14-16 April 2015)

Pursuant to General Assembly resolutions 67/216 of 21 December 2012 and 69/226 of 19 December 2014, the second session of the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III) will be held from *today,* 14 April to Thursday, 16 April 2015, at the United Nations Office at Nairobi. A note verbale, dated 30 January 2015, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers to the United Nations. The annotated provisional agenda for the session is contained in document A/CONF.226/PC.2/1.

Participating States, observers, United Nations agencies, funds and programmes and regional commissions wishing to attend the session of the Preparatory Committee are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretariat in advance of the session (e-mails herity@un.org and joergensenj@un.org, with copy to habitat3secretariat@un.org). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by email. In order to facilitate the accreditation process, participants are strongly encouraged to submit their delegation lists *as early as possible.*

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are invited to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mails herity@un.org and joergensenj@un.org). Statements should be limited to *five minutes* when speaking in a national capacity and *seven minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group.

Additional information on the second session of the Preparatory Committee for Habitat III is available from the Conference website (www.habitat3.org).

Economic and Social Council

Commission on Science and Technology for Development
Eighteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 2014/237 of 16 July 2014, the eighteenth session of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development will be held from Monday, 4, to Friday, 8 May 2015, in Conference Room XVIII, at the Palais des Nations, Geneva. The annotated provisional agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/CN.16/2015/1.

Members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to attend, are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to Ms. Anne Miroux, Director of the Division on Technology and Logistics and Head of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development secretariat (e-mail anne.miroux@unctad.org; tel. 011-41-22-917-1167; fax 011-41-22-917-0052), and Ms. Dong Wu, Chief, Science and Technology Section, Division on Technology and Logistics, UNCTAD, Room E.7058, Geneva (e-mail dong.wu@unctd.org; tel. 011-41-22-917-4171; fax 011-41-22-917-0052).

In preparation for the session, delegations are invited to review the documentation and other background information by *clicking here.*

Inquiries on the eighteenth session of the Commission can also be directed to Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Otto Gustafik (e-mail gustafik@un.org).

Announcements

Reports of the Secretary-General on disarmament items to be submitted to the seventieth session of the General Assembly

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (Word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, by *Thursday, 30 April 2015,* so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its seventieth session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft Word format *is required.* Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Jenny Fuchs (fuchs@un.org).

Resolution 68/44, para. 2, entitled "National legislation on transfer of arms, military equipment and dual use goods and technology", adopted on 5 December 2013 (Note verbale ODA/06-2015/NLDU dated 24 February 2015 refers);

Resolution 69/56, paras. 6 and 7, entitled "Relationship between disarmament and development", adopted on 2 December 2014 (Note verbale ODA/10-2015/D&D dated 25 February 2015 refers); and

Resolution 69/47, para. 3, entitled "Conventional arms control at the regional and subregional levels", adopted on 2 December 2014 (Note verbale ODA/07-2015/CAC dated 18 February 2015 refers).

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would also be grateful to receive, on-line through www.un-arm.org/MilEx/ReportingOnline.aspx, by *Thursday, 30 April 2015,* the information relevant to Resolution 68/23, paras. 1 and 8, entitled "Objective information on military matters, including transparency of military expenditures", adopted on 5 December 2013 (Note verbale ODA/09-2015/OIMM dated 25 February 2015 refers).

United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament: Call for nominations

The Office for Disarmament Affairs (ODA) wishes to draw the attention of Member States to its note verbale ODA/02-2015/FP, inviting nominations to the United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament. *The deadline is Friday, 17 April 2015.*

For permanent missions that have not yet received this note verbale, please contact Ms. Jenny Fuchs, ODA (e-mail fuchs@un.org).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of United Nations human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States parties will take place in 2015:

Third Meeting of States Parties to the *International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance* (Tuesday, 23 June 2015) to elect five members of the Committee on Enforced Disappearance (for general information *click here*);

Twenty-sixth Meeting of States Parties to the *International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination* (Thursday, 25 June 2015) to elect nine members of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (for general information *click here*); and

Seventh Meeting of States Parties to the *International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families* (Tuesday, 30 June 2015) to elect seven members of the Committee on Migrant Workers (for general information *click here*).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. All States Parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than* one week before the meeting.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for all of the above mentioned meetings, duly signed by the Head of State or Government or Foreign Minister, should be submitted to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in New York (Attn. Mr. Nenad Vasić (e-mail vasic@un.org; Room S-1309)). For any clarifications on these elections, please consult the OHCHR's guide on treaty body elections (*click here*), or contact Mr. Vasić, OHCHR (e-mail vasic@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5998).

Trust Fund for the Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development

In paragraph 20 of its resolution 68/279, the General Assembly invited all Member States and other potential donors to consider contributing generously to the Trust Fund for the Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development, in order to support the activities involved in the preparations for the third International Conference on Financing for Development (Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, 13-16 July 2015) and the travel and participation of representatives from developing countries, in particular the least developed countries.

In accordance with the terms of reference of the Trust Fund, voluntary contributions may be received from Governments, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, private institutions and individuals. For additional information, please contact Ms. Dominika Halka (e-mail halka@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6653).

***Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council (Fifteenth Supplement - 2004-2007 (Vols. I and II))**

The Department of Political Affairs recently published the fifteenth Supplement to the *Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council, covering the years from 2004 to 2007. The *Repertoire* is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations to follow the evolving practice of the Council and gain a better understanding of the framework in which it operates.

For paper copies of the Fifteenth Supplement, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288).

Later supplements covering the period 2008 to 2011 are available in their advance version on line by *clicking here*.

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2015 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Monday, 13 April 2015

Economic and Social Council

Commission on Population and Development
Forty-eighth session

[archived video]

2nd meeting

Introductory statements

The Chair, Her Excellency Bénédicte Frankinet (Belgium), made a statement.

Introductory statements were made by the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA),

and the Director of the Population Division in the Department of Economic and Social Affairs.

Election of officers [item 1]

The Commission elected His Excellency Rubén Armando Escalante Hasbún (El Salvador), Ms. Lidija Bubanja (Serbia) and Ms. Christine Kalamwina (Zambia), to serve as Vice-Chairs of the forty-eighth session.

Designation of a Rapporteur

The Commission designated Mr. Mesbah Ansari Dogaheh (Islamic Republic of Iran), to serve as Rapporteur of the session.

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [item 2]

Adoption of the draft agenda

The Commission adopted its provisional agenda for the session, as contained in document E/CN.9/2015/1.

Organization of work

The Vice-Chair, His Excellency Rubén Armando Escalante Hasbún, was designated to chair the informal consultations of the Commission to discuss draft proposals.

The Commission was informed that the deadline for the submission of draft proposals would be Wednesday, 15 April 2015, at 15:00.

The Commission approved the organization of work as contained in document E/CN.9/2015/L.1.

Report on the intersessional meetings of the Bureau of the Commission

The Chair introduced the report of the intersessional meetings of the Bureau of the Commission, as contained in document E/CN.9/2015/2.

The Commission took note of the report of the Bureau.

Actions for the further implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development [item 3]

Introductory statements were made by Mr. Barney Cohen, Assistant Director of the Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs; Mr. Benoit Kalasa, Director, Technical Division of the United Nations Population Fund; and Ms. Ann Pawliczko, Officer in Charge of the Population and Development Branch of United Nations Population Fund's Technical Division.

The Commission heard a keynote statement by Professor Tim Dyson of the London School of Economics on "Population Dynamics and Sustainable Development" and engaged in an interactive discussion in which the representatives of Liberia, Japan and Uganda, as well as by the observer for Cuba participated.

General discussion

The Commission began its general discussion on item 3 and heard statements by the representative of China, as well as the observers for Italy and Cambodia.

3rd meeting

Actions for the further implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development [item 3]

The Commission resume its general discussion of item 3 and heard a statement by the representative of Germany, and the observer of the International Labour Organization.

The Commission thus concluded its general discussion under agenda item 3.

General debate on national experience in population matters: realizing the future we want: integrating population issues into sustainable development, including in the post-2015 development agenda [item 4]

General discussion

The Commission began its general discussion of item 4 and heard statements by the representatives of South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Ecuador (on behalf of Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC)), Malaysia, Egypt, Belgium, China, Mongolia, Mexico, Brazil, the Netherlands, Denmark and Uruguay, and the observers for Niger (on behalf of the African Group), Latvia (on behalf of the European Union and its member States), Bahrain (on behalf of the Arab Group), Nauru (on behalf of Micronesia (Federated States of), Samoa and Solomon Islands), Swaziland, Tunisia, Burundi, Honduras, Ghana, Sweden, Indonesia, Myanmar, Finland and Mozambique.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea. Montego Bay, 10 December 1982

Objection to the interpretative declaration made by the Democratic Republic of the Congo: Germany (10 April 2015)

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *April 2015* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Niger
His Excellency Boubacar Boureima

Asia-Pacific States:
Turkmenistan
Her Excellency Aksoltan Ataeva

Eastern European States:
Republic of Moldova
His Excellency Vlad Lupan

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Mexico
His Excellency Jorge Montaño

Western European and other States:
Canada
His Excellency Guillermo Rishchynski

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

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Website of the presidency

The website of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at www.un.org/en/sc/presidency/.

Unscheduled meetings

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Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

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These easy to use kiosks are located on the ground floor just after the First Avenue entrance security checkpoint and on the second floor next to the Café. DGACM welcomes feedback, questions or comments pertaining to the information kiosks, which can be addressed to help-desk@un.org.

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www.un.org/en/sc/ctc/

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http://unyearbook.un.org

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Documents issued at United Nations Headquarters on Monday, 13 April 2015

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General Assembly	**Documents**
	Sixty-ninth session
A/69/363/Add.7	Item 132 — Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2014-2015 — Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council — United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *114 pages*
	Seventieth session
A/70/6 (Sect. 26)	Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017 — Part VI — Human rights and humanitarian affairs — Section 26 — Palestine refugees — Programme 22 of the biennial programme plan for the period 2016-2017 [A C E F R S] — *21 pages*

Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women

Documents

Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women

CEDAW/C/KWT/CO/3-4/Add.1
Concluding observations on the combined third and fourth periodic reports of Kuwait — Information provided by Kuwait on the follow-up to the concluding observations of the Committee [A E F S (only)] — *9 pages*

Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women
Sixty-second session

CEDAW/C/SVN/Q/5-6	Item 4 of the provisional agenda — Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 18 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women — List of issues and questions in relation to the combined fifth and sixth periodic reports of Slovenia — Constitutional, legislative and institutional framework and access to justice [A C E F R S] — *4 pages*

Security Council	**Documents**
S/2015/198	Letter dated 20 March 2015 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *16 pages*
S/2015/242	Letter dated 8 April 2015 from the Permanent Representative of Serbia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *1 page*
S/2015/243	Letter dated 9 April 2015 from the Permanent Representative of Jordan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *5 pages*

Economic and Social Council

Documents

Committee for Programme and Coordination
Fifty-fifth session

E/AC.51/2015/6	Item 3 (b) of the provisional agenda — Programme questions: evaluation — Evaluation of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean — Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Service [A C E F R S] — *28 pages*

Communications to the Editor

Material for inclusion in the *Journal* should be addressed to the attention of Ms. Lilian Delgado (e-mail journal@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3888 and 963-0493; Room CB-0304 (Conference Building)).

The *deadline* to submit material for the *Journal* issue of the next day is *18:30 for the programme of meetings,* and *19:00 for the summaries.* The announcements to be published in the "Forthcoming other activities" section, should be sent before *18:00* at least *two days in advance*.

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Official meetings

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Security Council

10:00 — 7428th meeting [webcast] — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Women and Peace and Security[1]

   Report of the Secretary-General on conflict-related sexual violence (S/2015/203)

   Letter dated 9 April 2015 from the Permanent Representative of Jordan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (S/2015/243)

[1]Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to no more than *four minutes*.

General Assembly
Sixty-ninth session

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 68/279, informal meetings of the plenary as part of the preparatory process for the third International Conference on Financing for Development (Second drafting session) will continue *today*, 15, to Friday, 17 April 2015, at 10:00 and 15:00, in Conference Room 1. Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 16 March 2015 and 6 April 2015, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. Additional information is available on the website of the Financing for Development Office. [webcast]

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General Assembly

United Nations Commission on International Trade Law

Working Group I (Micro-, Small- and Medium-sized Enterprises)
Twenty-fourth session

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 3
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 3

Disarmament Commission
2015 substantive session

Working Group II

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 2
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 2

Group of Governmental Experts on Developments in the Field of Information and Telecommunications in the Context of International Security
Third session

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 5
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	Executive meeting	

Economic and Social Council

Commission on Population and Development
Forty-eighth session

10:00	5th meeting [webcast]	Conference Room 4

General debate on national experience in population matters: realizing the future we want – integrating population issues into sustainable development, including in the post-2015 development agenda (E/CN.9/2015/NGO/1, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/2, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/3, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/4, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/5, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/6, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/7, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/8, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/9, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/10, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/11, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/12, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/13, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/14, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/15, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/16, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/17, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/18, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/19 and E/CN.9/2015/NGO/20) [item 4]

General discussion

11:00 **Panel discussion on "Integrating population issues into sustainable development"**

Panellists

Mr. Mark Montgomery, Senior Associate of the Population Council and Professor of the Department of Economics, Stony Brook University; Ms. Gita Sen, Professor of Public Health, Indian Institute of Management in Bangalore; Mr. Jacob R. S. Malungo, Professor of Demography of the University of Zambia; and Ms. Lori Hunter, Professor at the Environment and Society Program, Institute of Behavioral Science, University of Colorado at Boulder

Moderator

Ms. Pamela Falk, Foreign Affairs Analyst of the CBS News TV and Radio and former President of the United Nations Correspondents' Association

15:00 to 18:00 **6th meeting** [webcast] **Conference Room 4**

1. **General debate on the contribution of population and development issues to the theme of the annual ministerial review in 2015 [item 5]**

Address by the Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council

General discussion

2. **General debate on national experience in population matters: realizing the future we want – integrating population issues into sustainable development, including in the post-2015 development agenda (E/CN.9/2015/NGO/1, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/2, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/3, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/4, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/5, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/6, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/7, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/8, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/9, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/10, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/11, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/12, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/13, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/14, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/15, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/16, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/17 E/CN.9/2015/NGO/18, E/CN.9/2015/NGO/19 and E/CN.9/2015/NGO/20) [item 4]**

General discussion

[Information on side events, or activities organized outside the formal programme of the session of the Commission can be accessed by *clicking here*.

Members of the Commission wishing to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Sonia Elliott (e-mail elliotts@un.org; Room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Member States that are not members of the Commission, non-member States, observers, United Nations agencies, funds and programmes and Regional Commissions are also requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat in advance of the session. Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

An advance version of the list of delegations can be found on the Population Division (DESA) website (*click here*).

Delegations are advised that statements made by individual States should not exceed *five minutes*; statements made on behalf of a group of States should not exceed *ten minutes*; and statements made by observers should not exceed *four minutes*.

Delegates are informed that PaperSmart services will be offered as an additional service for the forty-eighth session of the Commission. The official documentation and statements for the meetings will be available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal (*click here*) in all available official languages. Delegates are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements to papersmart1@un.org at least *two hours in advance* of their designated speaking slot and to bring only 30 copies of their statements for technical services. The date and time of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The

statements will remain embargoed until delivery, after which they will be available to the public on the portal.

For information on the participation of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission, please *click here*.

The Commission will hold the first meeting of its forty-ninth session for the sole purpose of electing a new Chair and other members of the Bureau, immediately following the closure of its forty-eighth session.]

General Assembly

Sixty-ninth session

Main Committees

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will hold an informal interactive dialogue on "Overall policy matters pertaining to special political missions" in accordance with General Assembly resolution 69/95, organized by the Department of Political Affairs (DPA), in collaboration with the bureau of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) *today*, 15 April 2015, from 10:00 to 12:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Economic and Social Council

Commission on Population and Development

Informal consultations

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft proposals of the Commission on Population and Development, convened by the Vice-Chair, His Excellency Rubén Escalente Hasbún, Deputy Permanent Representative of El Salvador, will be held *today*, 15 April 2015, from 18:00 to 21:00, in Conference Room 6.

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/69/251 and A/69/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

Wednesday, 15 April 2015

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation" (under agenda item 123 (t)) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Saudi Arabia)

From 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room A.

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 15 April 2015

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room E

Group of 77 (at the ambassadorial level)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Other activities

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Wednesday, 15 April 2015

Event on "United Action Towards Sustainable Development for All Through Sport" (on the occasion of the International Day of Sport for Development and Peace (6 April)) (General Assembly resolution 67/296) (to be hosted by the Secretary-General) (organized by the United Nations Office on Sport for Development and Peace (UNOSDP), in cooperation with the Executive Office of the Secretary-General)

From 10:00 to 13:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. [webcast]

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Eric Dienes, UNOSDP (e-mail dienes@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-6036).]

Event on "Global Public-Private Partnership Initiatives in Post-2015" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Bangladesh)

From 10:30 to 12:30 and from 15:00 to 17:30, in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Bangladesh (e-mail joyrokeb15@hotmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 867-3434, ext. 37).]

Event on "Financing the post-2015 agenda: A broader measurement framework for monitoring resources in support of the Sustainable Development Goals – Total Official Support for Sustainable Development" (co-organized by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD))

From 13:15 to 14:30, in the *Trusteeship Council Chamber*.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Oliver Schwank, Financing for Development Office, DESA (e-mail schwank@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4970).]

Event on "Small Island Developing States (SIDS) and Financing for Development" (co-organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP))

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room B.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Muhammad Umair Qureshi, DESA (e-mail qureshi@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7643).]

Workshop on "Universalization of the 2008 Convention on Cluster Munitions" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Costa Rica and Croatia, Norwegian People's Aid and Pax)

From 13:15 to 14:45, in Conference Room 13.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Maritza Chan, Permanent Mission of Costa Rica (e-mail mchan@missioncrun.org); Ms. Dinka Dumicic, Permanente Mission of Croatia (e-mail dinka.dumicic@mvep.hr); or Ms. Amy Little, Norwegian People's Aid (e-mail amyl@npaid.org).]

Press conferences

The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.

Wednesday, 15 April 2015

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

12:00 Press briefing by the Spokesperson

General Assembly
Sixty-ninth session

A high-level thematic debate on "Promoting Tolerance and Reconciliation: Fostering Peaceful, Inclusive Societies and Countering Violent Extremism", will be held on Tuesday, 21 and Wednesday, 22 April 2015, at 9:00, in the General Assembly Hall and at 15:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. Letters from the President of the General Assembly dated 9 March 2015, 16 March 2015 and 8 April 2015, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly
Sixty-ninth session

Informal meetings of the plenary of the process of intergovernmental negotiations on the post-2015 development agenda, pursuant to resolution 69/244 and decisions 69/550 and 69/555, and as part of the preparatory process of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development, in accordance with resolution 68/279 (*joint meetings*), will be held from Tuesday, 21 April to Friday, 24 April 2015, at 10:00 and 15:00, in Conference Room 1. A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 10 April 2015, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. For further information please *click here*.

General Assembly
Sixty-ninth session

There will be an informal meeting of the plenary (closed) to hear a briefing by Ambassador Ayşe Sinirlioğlu, Turkey's G20 Sherpa, on Thursday, 23 April 2015, at 10:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 6 April 2015, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Forthcoming official meetings

Thursday, 16 April 2015

General Assembly
Sixty-ninth session

10:00 85th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

1. Report of the Peacebuilding Commission (A/69/818) [item 29]
   Report of the Secretary-General on the Peacebuilding Fund (A/69/745)[item 109]
   Joint debate
2. Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections: Election of twenty members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination: Note by the Secretary-General (A/69/291/Add.2 (to be issued)) [item 112 (a)]
3. Appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences: Note by the Secretary-General (A/69/107) [item 113 (f)]

General Assembly
Sixty-ninth session

The agenda of the sixty-ninth regular session of the General Assembly has been issued in document A/69/251 (see document A/69/252 for allocation of items).

The annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the sixty-ninth regular session of the General Assembly was issued in documents A/69/100 and A/69/100/Add.1.

Please note that there is no predetermined programme of work for formal and informal meetings of the plenary for the resumed part of the session (1 January-14 September 2015). Meetings will be announced in the *Journal* when they are scheduled.

List of speakers

Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova, e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; Room S-3082).

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-3818 (Room S-3053). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d'affaires of the permanent mission to the United Nations.

The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/69/251.

Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org, or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

General Assembly
Sixty-ninth session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee
Second part of the resumed session

The second part of the resumed session of the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session will begin on Monday, 4 May 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room 3. The status of preparedness of documentation *will be issued* in document A/C.5/69/L.38.

Information on the work of the Fifth Committee, including the status of documentation, as well as the tentative and provisional programme of work, will be available on the website of the Committee (*click here*).

Delegations that have not done so are kindly reminded to submit any changes or update to their official list of their representatives, alternate representatives and advisers by sending a note verbale and/or completing the form A/INF/69/2* to the Secretary of the Fifth Committee, Ms. Sharon Van Buerle (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org; Room S-3241; fax 1 (212) 963-0360). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

General Assembly

Committee on Conferences
Organizational session for 2015

The organizational session for 2015 of the Committee on Conferences will be held on Wednesday, 22 April 2015, at 15:00, in Conference Room 5, to elect the Bureau for 2015 and to adopt the annotated provisional agenda, contained in document A/AC.172/2015/L.1. For all relevant documents of the Committee please *click here*.

The session will be PaperSmart. Official documentation of the session will be available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal in all official languages.

In accordance with the procedure established by the Committee on Conferences at its 423rd meeting, on 1 September 1999, as reflected in paragraphs 172 to 175 of A/54/32 (Supp), and amended in paragraph 10 of A/56/32 (Supp), non-members who wish to participate as observers in the organizational session are invited to send a request *in writing* to Ms. Liya Zhang, Secretary of the Committee on Conferences (e-mail zhangl@un.org).

Committee on Information
Thirty-seventh session

The Committee on Information will hold its thirty-seventh session from Monday, 27 April, to Friday, 8 May 2015, in Conference Room 1. Member States wishing to inscribe their names for the General Debate on Monday, 27 and Tuesday, 28 April should please send an e-mail to committeeoninformation@un.org.

The afternoon of Monday, 27 April, will be devoted to an informal interactive session, with a particular focus on the seventieth anniversary of the United Nations, where the Under Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information will discuss matters relating to the Department with delegates.

Ad Hoc Committee on Sovereign Debt Restructuring Processes
Secoond working session

The second working session of the Ad Hoc Committee on Sovereign Debt Restructuring Processes, established pursuant to General Assembly resolution 69/247 of 29 December 2014, will be held from Tuesday, 28, to Thursday, 30 April 2015, in

Conference Room 2. The provisional agenda and annotations for the 2015 session of the Ad Hoc Committee are contained in document A/AC.284/2015/1. The programme of work will be announced in due course.

For further information on the work of the Ad Hoc Committee please contact Mr. Dusan Zivkovic (e-mail dusan.zivkovic@unctad.org); or Mr. Jiaming Miao (e-mail miaoj@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3766). Additional information will also be available by *clicking here*.

List of participants

The meetings of the Ad Hoc Committee are open to all Member States and observers of the United Nations. Delegations wishing to participate are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Ad Hoc Committee, Mr. Otto Gustafik (e-mail gustafik@un.org) with a copy to Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail duap@un.org; Room S-1285; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Statements and PaperSmart arrangements

Delegates are informed that PaperSmart services *will be offered* as an additional service for the meetings of the Ad Hoc Committee.

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The statements will be made available on the Ad Hoc Committee's PaperSmart portal at the time of delivery by delegations.

Participation of non-governmental organizations

Non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, those accredited to the financing for development follow-up process and to UNCTAD, wishing to participate in the work of the Ad Hoc Committee should register by *clicking here;* or contact Ms. Maria Ahmed (e-mail maria.ahmed@unctad.org) for any further information.

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-fifth session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-fifth session at Headquarters from Monday, 1 to Friday, 26 June 2015.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States at least *two weeks* before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than* Friday, 15 May 2015. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; Room FF-610 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943)).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 67/238. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Conference of States Parties

Eighth session

The eighth session of the Conference of the States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities will take place at Headquarters from Tuesday, 9, to Thursday, 11 June 2015. The provisional agenda is available as CRPD/CSP/2015/1.

Quorum

Pursuant to article 34, paragraph 5 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, the necessary quorum for the meeting is two-third of the States Parties. As there are 153 States Parties to the Convention, the quorum is 102 States Parties. In order to avoid lack of quorum which may lead to substantial delay or call off of the meeting of the States Parties, it is imperative for the States Parties to be present prior to the meeting.

Credentials

The credentials of representatives and the names of members of a delegation issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs should be submitted to the Secretary-General prior to the opening of the session. The credentials may be sent to the secretariat (e-mail to zhangg@un.org, with copy to pewitt@un.org; Room S-2905).

Accessibility

States parties that have not yet informed the secretariat of the accessibility requirements of delegates are kindly requested to do so to facilitate their participation in the Conference.

For further information concerning the Conference of States Parties, kindly contact the secretariat for the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mails zhangg@un.org and enable@un.org; Room S-2905); or visit the United Nations Enable website (please *click here*).

Economic and Social Council

2015 session

Economic and Social Council dialogue on longer-term positioning of the United Nations development system

The workshop on Functions, part of the workshop series of phase I of the Economic and Social Council dialogue on long-term positioning of the United Nations development system, will be held on Friday, 17 April 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 12. The workshop will be chaired by the Vice-President of the Council, Her Excellency María Emma Mejía Vélez (Colombia). The draft programme (*click here*) and background material (*click here*) are available on the website of the

Council. Interested Missions should register by *clicking here*. For any additional information, please contact Ms. Ronaele Odina, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination (e-mail odinar@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7679).

Special high-level meeting with the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (20-21 April 2015)

The special high-level meeting of the Economic and Social Council with the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development will take place on Monday, 20 April 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, and on Tuesday, 21 April 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The high-level meeting will be chaired by the President of the Council, His Excellency Martin Sajdik (Austria).

The overall theme of the meeting will be "Coherence, coordination and cooperation in the context of financing for sustainable development and the post-2015 development agenda".

The format of the meeting will be a free-flowing interactive discussion with interventions limited to *three minutes*; there will be no list of speakers.

For further information on the special high-level meeting, please *click here* or contact Mr. Gregory Dubois, Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail duboisg@un.org; Room DC2-2160).

List of participants

Members and observers of the Economic and Social Council and representatives of intergovernmental organizations are requested to provide, *in writing*, as soon as possible, the composition of their delegations, to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Jennifer de Laurentis (c/o Ms. Jacqueline Aidenbaum (e-mail aidenbaum@un.org; Room S-1271)), with a copy to the Financing for Development Office (Ms. Anna Alfonso (e-mail alfonso@un.org; Room DC2-2162)).

Special meeting on international cooperation in tax matters (22 April 2015)

Pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolutions 2013/24 and 2014/12, the one-day special meeting of the Council on international cooperation in tax matters will be held on Wednesday, 22 April 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

The format of the meeting will be a free-flowing interactive discussion with interventions limited to *three minutes*; there will be no list of speakers.

For further information on the special meeting, please *click here* or contact Ms. Dominika Halka, Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail halka@un.org; Room DC2-2176).

List of participants

Members and observers of the Economic and Social Council and representatives of intergovernmental organizations are requested to provide, *in writing*, as soon as

possible, the composition of their delegation, to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Jennifer de Laurentis (c/o Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; Room S-1286) and Ms. Jacqueline Aidenbaum (e-mail aidenbaum@un.org; Room S-1271)), with a copy to the Financing for Development Office (Ms. Anna Alfonso (e-mail alfonso@un.org; Room DC2-2162)).

Statements and PaperSmart arrangements

Delegations are reminded that PaperSmart services will be available for the meetings of the Economic and Social Council. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the Council's PaperSmart Portal (please *click here*) should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart2@un.org. The date and topic of the meeting should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the Council's PaperSmart Portal only after delivery by delegations.

Committee of Experts on Public Administration
Fourteenth session

The Committee of Experts on Public Administration will hold its fourteenth session from Monday, 20 April, to Friday, 24 April 2015, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The provisional agenda of the session is contained in document E/C.16/2015/1.

For the programme of work and other related documents of the fourteenth session of the Committee, please visit the Web site by *clicking here*.

PaperSmart arrangements

The fourteenth session of the Committee of Experts on Public Administration will be served in a PaperSmart manner. The official documentation of the Committee will be available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal in all available official languages.

There will be no circulation of hard copies of documents. However, a print-on-demand service will be available, via which delegates can request for a hard copy at the PaperSmart Desk in the conference room, or by the print-on-demand option on the PaperSmart Portal. Delegates will be able to e-mail any document or statement to themselves from the Portal. No log in will be required to access the Portal.

Delegations and participants are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meetings in order to access information and documents electronically.

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
Fourteenth session

The Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues will hold its fourteenth session from Monday, 20 April, to Friday, 1 May 2015, in Conference Room 4. The provisional agenda of the session is contained in document E/C.19/2015/1, and the proposed organization of work is contained in document E/C.19/2015/L.1.

Participation and seating arrangements

Member States, intergovernmental organizations and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies wishing to send observers to the session are requested to communicate the composition of their delegations, in advance of the session, to the

Secretary of the Forum, Ms. Sonia Elliott (e-mail elliotts@un.org; Room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Only those observers who indicate their participation by *today,* 15 April 2015, will be provided a nameplate on the floor of the Conference Room 4 on the opening day. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

For background and other related documents of the fourteenth session of the Forum, please visit the following Web site: www.un.org/indigenous (or *click here).*

Statements and PaperSmart arrangements

The fourteenth session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues will be served in a PaperSmart manner. The official documentation of the Forum will be available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal (*click here*) in all available official languages.

There will be no circulation of hard copies of documents. However, a print-on-demand service will be available, via which delegates can request for a hard copy at the PaperSmart Desk in the conference room, or by the print-on-demand option on the PaperSmart Portal. Delegates will be able to e-mail any document or statement to themselves from the Portal. No log in will be required to access the Portal.

QR Code posters with the PaperSmart Portal link will be put up in the conference room to enable easy access to the Portal via QR Code scanners on devices.

Delegations and participants are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meetings in order to access information and documents electronically.

List of speakers

The list of speakers is *open.* Member States and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers for a particular item should contact the secretariat (Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)). Delegations are advised that statements made should not exceed *five minutes.*

Delegates are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements to papersmart1@un.org at least *two hours in advance* of their designated speaking slot and to bring only 30 copies of their statements for technical services. The date and time of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will remain embargoed until delivery, after which they will be available to the public on the portal.

Committee for Programme and Coordination
Fifty-fifth session
Organizational session

The organizational session of the fifty-fifth session of the Committee for Programme and Coordination will be held on Thursday, 23 April 2015, at 15:00, in Conference Room 5, for the purpose of electing its Bureau.

The Committee will also have before it the annotated provisional agenda for the session (E/AC.51/2015/1), the note by the Secretariat on the status of preparedness of documentation (E/AC.51/2015/L.1) and the note by the Secretariat on the list of reports of the Joint Inspection Unit (E/AC.51/2015/L.2).

Members of the Committee wishing to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate, in a note verbale of their permanent mission to the United Nations in New York, the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, Ms. Sharon Van Buerle (e-mail cpc@un.org; Room

S-3241; fax 1 (212) 963-0360). Please note that only scanned copies of the note verbale will be accepted by e-mail.

Member States that are not members of the Committee and would like to participate as observers are also requested to communicate, in a note verbale of their permanent mission to the United Nations in New York, the composition of their delegations to the secretariat well in advance of the scheduled organizational session.

United Nations Forum on Forests
Eleventh session

The United Nations Forum on Forests will hold its eleventh session from Monday, 4, to Friday, 15 May 2015, at Headquarters. The session will open on Monday, 4 May 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room 4. The annotated provisional agenda is contained in document E/CN.18/2015/1.

High-level segment and list of speakers

The session will include a high-level segment, which will be held on Wednesday, 13, and Thursday, 14 May 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00. A list of speakers for the segment will be established for statements by Ministers and Heads of Delegations. Delegations are requested to inscribe, *as soon as possible*, the names of their Ministers or Heads of Delegations who wish to make a statement during the high-level segment, by sending an e-mail or fax to the Secretary of the Forum, Mr. Moncef Khane (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; with a copy to unff@un.org; fax 1 (917) 367-3186). The time limits for statements during the segment are *seven minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States and *five minutes* for individual Member States.

As part of the high-level segment, there will be two round tables on Thursday, 14 May 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00, on the following topics:

Round table 1: Integration of forests in the post-2015 development agenda; and

Round table 2: Renewed commitments to the implementation of the international arrangements on forests beyond 2015.

The round tables are open to the participation of all Members and observers. Delegations are kindly requested to indicate, *as soon as possible*, their preference for the participation of their Ministers or Heads of Delegations in the above-mentioned round tables, by e-mail or fax to the secretariat of the Forum (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; with a copy to unff@un.org; fax 1 (917) 367-3186). Priority for interventions will be given to participants who have registered their participation in the round tables. The round tables will be interactive in nature and as such, there will be no pre-determined list of speakers. The time limit for interventions is *three minutes*.

List of participants

Delegations are requested to communicate the composition of their delegations by e-mail or fax to the secretariat of the Forum (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935), *as soon as possible,* for inclusion in the list of participants.

For documentation and further information on the eleventh session of the Forum, including the list of side events, please visit the Forum website by *clicking here*.

2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons

The 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) will be held from Monday, 27 April to Friday, 22 May 2015, at Headquarters. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 27 April, at 10:30, in the General Assembly Hall.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for the general debate *is open.* States parties wishing to add the names of their representatives to the list of speakers before the beginning of the meeting are invited to fax their request to Mr. Hong Tan at 1 (917) 367-1767 (tel. 1 (212) 963-7062).

PaperSmart arrangements

The Conference will be supported by the PaperSmart system. The official documentation of the Conference will be available electronically either via the PaperSmart Portal (e-mail papersmart3@un.org); or via the ODA related webpage (*click here*).

Delegations are requested to send electronic copies of their statements to papersmart3@un.org, at least *two hours* prior to their speaking slot.

The statements will be available to view and download via the PaperSmart Portal upon delivery by the speaker. The secretariat requests delegations to provide only 25 hard copies of official statements for the technical services.

Delegations and participants are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meetings in order to access information and documents electronically. QR Code posters with the PaperSmart Portal link will be put up in the conference room to enable easy access to the Portal via QR Code scanners on devices.

Further information for participants, including accreditation and registration procedures, list of participants, the submission of documentation, side events, exhibitions, etc., are contained in the Information Note NPT/CONF.2015/INF/1/Rev.1* which is also available on the website of the Review Conference (*click here*).

To consult the list of side events, please *click here.*

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/69/251 and A/69/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on draft resolution A/69/L.50, entitled "Improving Nutrition" (under agenda item 25) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Ireland)

Thursday, 16 April 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 8.

Forthcoming other activities

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Briefing on "Educational Technologies Available for Primary and Secondary Schools" (organized by the NGO Relations Section, Outreach Division, Department of Public Information (DPI))

Thursday, 16 April 2015, from 11:00 to 12:30, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Hawa Diallo, NGO Relations Section (e-mail diallo9@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9380).]

Event on "Transformative financing for gender equality and women's empowerment" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Mexico and Sweden, the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women))

Thursday, 16 April 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 1.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Marianne Olesen, UN-Women (e-mail marianne.olesen@unwomen.org).]

Panel discussion on "Climate Finance and Development" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of France and Peru and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP))

Thursday, 16 April 2015, from 13:15 to 14:45, in Conference Room 11.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Benjamin Bechaz, Permanent Mission of France (e-mail benjamin.bechaz@diplomatie.gouv.fr; tel. 1 (212) 702-4954).]

Special event on "From Cairo to Addis Ababa: Migration, labour mobility and the renewed global partnership for sustainable development" (organized by the Troika of the Global Forum on Migration and Development (Sweden, Turkey and Bangladesh), in partnership with the Global Migration Group and the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for International Migration and Development)

Thursday, 16 April 2015, from 13:15 to 14:45, in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Rebecca Rehn, Permanent Mission of Sweden (e-mail rebecca.rehn@gov.se; tel. 1 (212) 583-2531).]

Briefing by the Deputy Secretary-General and the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Sustainable Energy for All on "The Sustainable Energy for All initiative - achievements to date, next steps, long-term arrangements and the upcoming second annual United Nations Sustainable Energy for All Forum in May" (organized by Executive Office of the Secretary-General)

Thursday, 16 April 2015, from 15:00 to 16:30, in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Jonas von Freiesleben, Executive Office of the Secretary-General (e-mail freiesleben@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-1660).]

Panel discussion on "Sustainable Air Capabilities in the United Nations Field Operations: The National Response" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Ukraine)

Thursday, 16 April 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Mr. Yaroslav Golitsyn, Permanent Mission of Ukraine (e-mail uno_us@mfa.gov.ua; tel. 1 (212) 759-7003).]

Exhibition on "The Roerich Pact: History and Modernity" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation)

Thursday, 16 April 2015, at 18:00, at the Delegates' Entrance.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Alexey Zaytsev, Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation (e-mail press@russiaun.ru; tel. 1 (212) 861-4903).]

Special event on "Ending hunger, achieving food security and improved nutrition, and promoting sustainable agriculture – how to make it happen?" (co-organized by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), the World Food Programme (WFP) and the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD))

Friday, 17 April 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 12.

[All are invited. For further information or to register, please contact the FAO Liaison Office in New York (e-mail lon-registry@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6036).]

Panel discussion on "The Persecution of Christians Globally: A Threat to International Peace and Security" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Argentina and Palau, the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See and the Eng Aja Eze Foundation)

Friday, 17 April 2015, from 15:00 to 19:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Kenlie Lipiano, Permanent Mission of Palau (e-mail proffice@palauun.org; tel. 1 (212) 813-0310).]

Briefing on "Aligning Private Sector Investment in Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)" (co-organized by the New York Office of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), AVIVA, Tellus Institute and the Stakeholder Forum)

Monday, 20 April 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in *Conference Room 8*.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Ena Sawh, UNCTAD (e-mail sawh@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6893).]

Panel discussion on "Identifying Common Ground on Public Health for the special session of the United Nations General Assembly on the world drug problem 2016 (UNGASS 2016)" (organized by United Nations University (UNU) New York Office)

Tuesday, 21 April 2015, from 10:00 to 12:45, in Conference Room 11.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact the UNU New York Office (e-mail walker@unu.edu; tel. 1 (212) 963-6346); to register please *click here*.]

Special event on "The role of philanthropy and social investors in financing for development" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Ethiopia, Italy and the United Arab Emirates, the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), the Foundation Center, Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors and the Friends of San Patrignano)

Tuesday, 21 April 2015, from 13:00 to 15:00, in Conference Room 11.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Paolo Mari, Permanent Mission of Italy (e-mail e-mail sec.italyun@esteri.it; tel. 1 (646) 840-5388).]

Special event on the theme "Means of Implementation and Global Partnership for Sustainable Development – the role of information and communications technologies (ICTs) (ITU and GeSI)" (co-organized by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and the Global e-Sustainability Initiative (GeSI))

Tuesday, 21 April 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 5.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Sharon London, ITU (e-mail london@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6121).]

Informal briefing on the rule of law, in accordance with paragraph 18 of General Assembly resolution 69/123 (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Austria, Liechtenstein and Mexico, and the Rule of Law Unit (on behalf of the United Nations Rule of Law Coordination and Resource Group))

Wednesday, 22 April 2015, from 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 11.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Jane Anttila, Rule of Law Unit in the Executive Office of the Secretary-General (e-mail anttila@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4749; or Ms. Lilibeth Benitez (e-mail benitez@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2935)).]

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

General Assembly

Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III)
(Nairobi, 14-16 April 2015)

Pursuant to General Assembly resolutions 67/216 of 21 December 2012 and 69/226 of 19 December 2014, the second session of the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III) will continue *today,* 15, to Thursday, 16 April 2015, at the United Nations Office at Nairobi. A note verbale, dated 30 January 2015, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers to the United Nations. The annotated provisional agenda for the session is contained in document A/CONF.226/PC.2/1.

Participating States, observers, United Nations agencies, funds and programmes and regional commissions wishing to attend the session of the Preparatory Committee are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretariat in advance of the session (e-mails herity@un.org and joergensenj@un.org, with copy to habitat3secretariat@un.org). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by email. In order to facilitate the accreditation process, participants are strongly encouraged to submit their delegation lists *as early as possible*.

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are invited to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mails herity@un.org and joergensenj@un.org). Statements should be limited to *five minutes* when speaking in a national capacity and *seven minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group.

Additional information on the second session of the Preparatory Committee for Habitat III is available from the Conference website (www.habitat3.org).

Economic and Social Council

Commission on Science and Technology for Development
Eighteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 2014/237 of 16 July 2014, the eighteenth session of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development will be held from Monday, 4, to Friday, 8 May 2015, in Conference Room XVIII, at the Palais des Nations, Geneva. The annotated provisional agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/CN.16/2015/1.

Members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to attend, are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to Ms. Anne Miroux, Director of the Division on Technology and Logistics and Head of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development secretariat (e-mail anne.miroux@unctad.org; tel. 011-41-22-917-1167; fax 011-41-22-917-0052), and Ms. Dong Wu, Chief, Science and Technology Section, Division on Technology and Logistics, UNCTAD, Room E.7058, Geneva (e-mail dong.wu@unctd.org; tel. 011-41-22-917-4171; fax 011-41-22-917-0052).

In preparation for the session, delegations are invited to review the documentation and other background information by *clicking here.*

Inquiries on the eighteenth session of the Commission can also be directed to Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Otto Gustafik (e-mail gustafik@un.org).

Announcements

Reports of the Secretary-General on disarmament items to be submitted to the seventieth session of the General Assembly

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (Word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, by *Thursday, 30 April 2015,* so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its seventieth session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft Word format *is required.* Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Jenny Fuchs (fuchs@un.org).

Resolution 68/44, para. 2, entitled "National legislation on transfer of arms, military equipment and dual use goods and technology", adopted on 5 December 2013 (Note verbale ODA/06-2015/NLDU dated 24 February 2015 refers);

Resolution 69/56, paras. 6 and 7, entitled "Relationship between disarmament and development", adopted on 2 December 2014 (Note verbale ODA/10-2015/D&D dated 25 February 2015 refers); and

Resolution 69/47, para. 3, entitled "Conventional arms control at the regional and subregional levels", adopted on 2 December 2014 (Note verbale ODA/07-2015/CAC dated 18 February 2015 refers).

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would also be grateful to receive, on-line through www.un-arm.org/MilEx/ReportingOnline.aspx, by *Thursday, 30 April 2015*, the information relevant to Resolution 68/23, paras. 1 and 8, entitled "Objective information on military matters, including transparency of military expenditures", adopted on 5 December 2013 (Note verbale ODA/09-2015/OIMM dated 25 February 2015 refers).

United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament: Call for nominations

The Office for Disarmament Affairs (ODA) wishes to draw the attention of Member States to its note verbale ODA/02-2015/FP, inviting nominations to the United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament. *The deadline is Friday, 17 April 2015.*

For permanent missions that have not yet received this note verbale, please contact Ms. Jenny Fuchs, ODA (e-mail fuchs@un.org).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of United Nations human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States parties will take place in 2015:

Third Meeting of States Parties to the *International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance* (Tuesday, 23 June 2015) to elect five members of the Committee on Enforced Disappearance (for general information *click here*);

Twenty-sixth Meeting of States Parties to the *International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination* (Thursday, 25 June 2015) to elect nine members of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (for general information *click here*); and

Seventh Meeting of States Parties to the *International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families* (Tuesday, 30 June 2015) to elect seven members of the Committee on Migrant Workers (for general information *click here*).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. All States Parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than* one week before the meeting.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for all of the above mentioned meetings, duly signed by the Head of State or Government or Foreign Minister, should be submitted to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in New York (Attn. Mr. Nenad Vasić (e-mail vasic@un.org; Room S-1309)). For any clarifications on these elections, please consult the OHCHR's guide on treaty body elections (*click here*), or contact Mr. Vasić, OHCHR (e-mail vasic@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5998).

Trust Fund for the Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development

In paragraph 20 of its resolution 68/279, the General Assembly invited all Member States and other potential donors to consider contributing generously to the Trust Fund for the Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development, in order to support the activities involved in the preparations for the third International Conference on Financing for Development (Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, 13-16 July 2015) and the travel and participation of representatives from developing countries, in particular the least developed countries.

In accordance with the terms of reference of the Trust Fund, voluntary contributions may be received from Governments, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, private institutions and individuals. For additional information, please contact Ms. Dominika Halka (e-mail halka@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6653).

***Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council (Fifteenth Supplement - 2004-2007 (Vols. I and II))**

The Department of Political Affairs recently published the fifteenth Supplement to the *Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council, covering the years from 2004 to 2007. The *Repertoire* is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations to follow the evolving practice of the Council and gain a better understanding of the framework in which it operates.

For paper copies of the Fifteenth Supplement, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288).

Later supplements covering the period 2008 to 2011 are available in their advance version on line by *clicking here*.

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2015 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Tuesday, 14 April 2015

Security Council

[archived video]

7426th meeting — *The situation in the Middle East*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representative of Yemen to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2015/245, submitted by France, Jordan, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2015/245) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2015/245) received 14 votes in favour, none against and one abstention (Russian Federation), and was adopted as resolution 2216 (2015).

Following the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom, the Russian Federation, the United States, Spain, China, Malaysia, Chile, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Lithuania, France, New Zealand, Chad, Nigeria and Angola, and by the President, speaking in her capacity as the representative of Jordan.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of Yemen.

7427th meeting — *The situation in the Central African Republic*

Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in the Central African Republic (S/2015/227)

Letter dated 10 April 2015 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2015/248)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited Lieutenant General Babacar Gaye, Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Lieutenant General Gaye.

Economic and Social Council

Commission on Population and Development
Forty-eighth session

[archived video]

4th meeting — *General debate on national experience in population matters: realizing the future we want: integrating population issues into sustainable development, including in the post-2015 development agenda* [item 4]

General discussion

The Commission continued its general discussion of item 4 and heard statements by the representatives of Bangladesh, the United States, Switzerland, El Salvador and the Russian Federation, and the observers for Sri Lanka, South Africa, Israel, Cuba, Ukraine, France, Poland, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, Malta, Panama and India.

A keynote statement was made by Professor Suzana Cavenaghi of the National School of Statistical Science at the Brazilian Institute of Geography and Statistics on "Reproductive health, gender and sustainable development". Following the statement, delegations engaged in an interactive discussion moderated by Ms. Lakshmi Puri, Assistant Secretary-General and Deputy Executive Director of UN-Women, with the participation of the representatives of Brazil, Chad, Nigeria and Zambia, and the observer for Cuba.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty. New York, 15 December 1989

Objection to the reservation made by El Salvador upon accession: Spain (7 April 2015)

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on a communications procedure. New York, 19 December 2011

Ratification: Argentina (14 April 2015)

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *April 2015* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Niger
His Excellency Boubacar Boureima

Asia-Pacific States:
Turkmenistan
Her Excellency Aksoltan Ataeva

Eastern European States:
Republic of Moldova
His Excellency Vlad Lupan

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Mexico
His Excellency Jorge Montaño

Western European and other States:
Canada
His Excellency Guillermo Rishchynski

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Office of the President of the Council (e-mailed dpa-scsb3@un.org; Room S-2472; fax 1 (917) 367-0406). For queries, please call to 1 (212) 963-5258.

Website of the presidency

The website of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at www.un.org/en/sc/presidency/.

Unscheduled meetings

Information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by clicking on "Programme of work" on the website of the Security Council at www.un.org/en/sc; or by calling to 1 (212) 963-5258.

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered.

Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Room Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; Room S-0220).

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The website also offers the option of subscription to e-mail, SMS and voice call alerts. In addition, a hotline number for updates during weather emergencies or other urgent situations can be accessed by calling 1 (212) 963-9800.

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Touch screen information kiosks

The Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) invites delegations and staff to use the two touch screen information kiosks located in the North Lawn Building to access the official meeting schedule, the *Journal of the United Nations*, the Delegates' Handbook, the Blue Book and the United Nations Staff Yellow Pages, as well as Headquarters and Conference Room Maps.

These easy to use kiosks are located on the ground floor just after the First Avenue entrance security checkpoint and on the second floor next to the Café. DGACM welcomes feedback, questions or comments pertaining to the information kiosks, which can be addressed to help-desk@un.org.

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Yearbook of the United Nations
http://unyearbook.un.org

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Documents issued at United Nations Headquarters on Tuesday, 14 April 2015

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